reports on any of the events specified in §1311.215 in a format that is readable by the pharmacist. Such an internal audit may be automated and need not require human intervention to be conducted.

- (16) The pharmacy application must protect the stored audit records from unauthorized deletion. The pharmacy application shall prevent modifications to the audit records.
- (17) The pharmacy application must back up the controlled substance prescription records daily.
- (18) The pharmacy application must retain all archived records electronically for at least two years from the date of their receipt or creation and comply with all other requirements of §1311.305.

§ 1311.210 Archiving the initial record.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, a copy of each electronic controlled substance prescription record that a pharmacy receives must be digitally signed by one of the following:
- (1) The last intermediary transmitting the record to the pharmacy must digitally sign the prescription immediately prior to transmission to the pharmacy.
- (2) The first pharmacy application that receives the electronic prescription must digitally sign the prescription immediately on receipt.
- (b) If the last intermediary digitally signs the record, it must forward the digitally signed copy to the pharmacy.
- (c) If a pharmacy receives a digitally signed prescription that includes the individual practitioner's digital signature, the pharmacy application must do the following:
- (1) Verify the digital signature as provided in FIPS 186–3, as incorporated by reference in §1311.08.
- (2) Check the validity of the certificate holder's digital certificate by checking the certificate revocation list. The pharmacy may cache the CRL until it expires.
- (3) Archive the digitally signed record. The pharmacy record must retain an indication that the prescription was verified upon receipt. No additional digital signature is required.

§1311.215 Internal audit trail.

- (a) The pharmacy application provider must establish and implement a list of auditable events. The auditable events must, at a minimum, include the following:
- (1) Attempted unauthorized access to the pharmacy application, or successful unauthorized access to the pharmacy application where the determination of such is feasible.
- (2) Attempted or successful unauthorized modification or destruction of any information or records required by this part, or successful unauthorized modification or destruction of any information or records required by this part where the determination of such is feasible.
- (3) Interference with application operations of the pharmacy application.
- (4) Any setting of or change to logical access controls related to the dispensing of controlled substance prescriptions.
- (5) Attempted or successful interference with audit trail functions.
- (6) For application service providers, attempted or successful annotation, alteration, or destruction of controlled substance prescriptions or logical access controls related to controlled substance prescriptions by any agent or employee of the application service provider.
- (b) The pharmacy application must analyze the audit trail at least once every calendar day and generate an incident report that identifies each auditable event.
- (c) The pharmacy must determine whether any identified auditable event represents a security incident that compromised or could have compromised the integrity of the prescription records. Any such incidents must be reported to the pharmacy application service provider, if applicable, and the Administration within one business day.

§ 1311.300 Application provider requirements—Third-party audits or certifications.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, the application provider of an electronic prescription application or a pharmacy application must have a third-party audit of the